1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT TACOMA 10 SPENCER L. MILLER, 11 Petitioner, 12 Case No. C09-5083BHS JRC v. 13 ORDER DIRECTING BRUNNO STOLE, SERVICE AND RETURN, 14 § 2254 PETITION Respondent. 15 16 17 (l) The clerk shall arrange for service by certified mail upon respondent and the Attorney 18 General for the State of Washington, copies of the petition, all documents in support thereof. All 19 costs of service shall be advanced by the United States. The Clerk shall assemble the necessary 20 documents to effect service. In addition, the Clerk shall send petitioner a copy of this Order, 21 along with a copy of the Court's General Order regarding pro se litigation. 22 (2) Within forty-five (45) days after such service, respondent(s) shall file and serve an 23 answer in accordance with Rule 5 of the Rules Governing § 2254 Cases in United States District 24 Courts. As part of such answer, respondent(s) should state whether petitioner has exhausted 25 available state remedies, whether an evidentiary hearing is necessary, and whether there is any 26 issue of abuse or delay under Rule 9. Respondent shall not file a dispositive motion in place of ORDER - 1

an answer without first showing cause as to why an answer is inadequate. Respondent(s) shall file the answer with the Clerk of the Court and serve a copy of the answer upon petitioner.

(3) The answer will be treated in accordance with Local Rule CR 7. Accordingly, upon receipt of the answer the Clerk will note the matter for consideration on the fourth Friday after the answer is filed, petitioner may file and serve a response not later than on the Monday immediately preceding the Friday appointed for consideration of the matter, and respondent my file and serve a reply brief not later than on the Thursday immediately preceding the Friday designated for consideration of the matter.

DATED this 30th day of April, 2009.

J. Richard Creatura

United States Magistrate Judge